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VIA CERTIFIED MAIL

Itzhak Parnafes 925 Piers Court Palo Alto, California 94303

Shai Mohaban 678 Durshire Way Sunnyvale, California 94087

Re:

U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 09/586,531

Filed: May 31, 2000

Entitled: "Method And Apparatus Providing Automatic Resv Message

Generation For Non-Resv-Capable Network Devices"

Our Reference: 50325-0085; Cisco Reference: Seq. No. 1511

## Dear Itzhak and Shai:

I write regarding the above-identified patent application of which you are an inventor. The U.S. Patent Office is currently rejecting the pending claims of your patent application based on a reference that discusses your own invention. Since the cited reference being used against your patent application discusses your own invention, we can prevent the U.S. Patent Office from considering it in the examination of your patent application.

To that end, I have enclosed the following documents:

- (1) A copy of the above-identified patent application as originally filed;
- (2) A copy of the currently pending claims;
- (3) A petition for your signature; and
- (4) Exhibit A, which is the cited reference that discusses your own invention.

Please review the petition and the accompanying materials. The purpose of the petition is to verify that, to the best of your knowledge, Exhibit A either describes your own work, or is derived from your own work. Silvano Gai and Dinesh Dutt, co-inventors on your application, are listed as co-authors of the reference of Exhibit A. Silvano and

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Dinesh have explained to me that you conceived of the invention prior to the publication of Exhbit A, and that the purpose of publicizing the reference of Exhibit A was to present your invention to the Internet community.

Please review and sign the petition. After you have signed the petition, please:

- (a) fax a copy, with your signature, to my attention at 408-414-1076, **no later** than November 3, 2005; and
- (b) mail the original signed petition to:

Hickman, Palermo, Truong, and Becker LLP Attn: Chris Brokaw 2055 Gateway Place, Suite 550 San Jose CA 95110-1089

If you have any questions, or if I can be of any assistance in any way, please do not hesitate to contact me. Additionally, if you have any questions about any of your patent applications during their pendency before the U.S. Patent Office, please feel free to contact me at any time.

Best Regards,

Christopher J. Brokaw

Encls: as listed above